

SECURITY NOTICE

American Embassy Manama, Bahrain



September 30, 2009 RSO Notice 50/09

Spontaneous demonstrations take place in Bahrain from time to time in response to world events or local developments. Embassy employees and dependents should keep current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times. If you encounter a large public gathering or demonstration, depart the vicinity immediately and notify Post One at 1724-2957. Embassy employees and dependents should avoid the following areas:

October 1 – Sanabis beginning at 2030. Karzakkan beginning at 1900.

October 2 – The Bahrain Mall beginning at 1600. Karzakkan beginning at 1600.

October 3 - Damistan. Sitra beginning at 1600.

October 5 - A'ali.

October 7 - Ministry of Justice, diplomatic quarter.

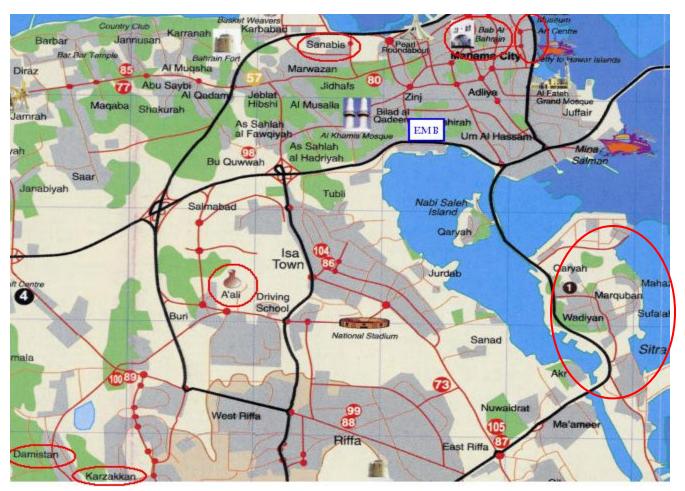
October 9 – Area between Ras al Rumman and the Manama gate beginning at 1600. Karzakkan, beginning at 2000.

October 11 - Karzakkan.

October 13 - Ministry of Justice, diplomatic quarter, beginning at 0900.

See the below map for the demonstration locations (circled in red).

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Demonstration Notice 1 October 2009

Spontaneous demonstrations take place in Bahrain from time to time in response to world events or local developments. We remind American citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. American citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations. American citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times. Upcoming demonstration information follows:

Thursday, October 1 A demonstration is planned in Sanabis beginning at 2030 (8:30 pm).

A demonstration is planned in Karzakkan beginning at 1900 (7:00 pm).

Friday, October 2 A demonstration is planned in the Bahrain Mall beginning at 1600 (4:00 pm).

A demonstration is planned in Karzakkan beginning at 1600 (4:00 pm).

Saturday, October 3 A demonstration is planned Damistan, time unknown.

A demonstration is planned in Sitra beginning at 1600 (4:00 pm).

Monday, October 5 A demonstration is planned in A'ali, time unknown.

Wednesday, October 7A demonstration is planned at the Ministry of Justice, Diplomatic Quarter,

time unknown.

Friday, October 9 A demonstration is planned in the area between Ras al Rumman and the

Manama Gate beginning at 1600 (4:00 pm).

A demonstration is planned in Karzakkan, beginning at 2000 (8:00 pm).

Sunday, October 11 A demonstration is planned in Karzakkan, time unknown.

Tuesday, October 13 A demonstration is planned at the Ministry of Justice, Diplomatic Quarter, beginning

at 0900 (9:00 am).

For the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet website at http://travel.state.gov, where the current Worldwide Caution, Consular Information Sheet for Bahrain, and Regional Travel Alerts can be found. Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada or, for callers outside the U.S. and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

The U.S. Embassy in Manama can be reached at (973) 1724-2700; the afterhours emergency number is (973) 1724-2957; the fax number is (973) 1725-6242. The Embassy's web site, which includes consular information and the most recent messages to the American community in Bahrain, is at http://bahrain.usembassy.gov.

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